

## **Department of Energy**

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Mr. Philip O. Strawbridge Transition Manager BNFL Inc. 3000 George Washington Way Richland, Washington 99352

Dear Mr. Strawbridge:

REGULATORY UNIT (RU) APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION BASIS AMENDMENT REQUEST, ABAR-W375-99-00001, REV. 2, REVISION OF THE EMPLOYEE CONCERNS PROGRAM (BNFL-5193-ECP-01, REVISION 3)

On the basis of the enclosed safety evaluation, the RU approves ABAR-W375-99-00001 to the Safety Requirements Document (SRD) of the River Protection Project Waste Treatment Plant (RPP-WTP). The amendment is in response to your submittal in BNFL letter CCN 012999 from A. J. Dobson to D. C. Gibbs, RU, "Contract No. DE-AC27-96RL13308 – W375 – United States Department of Energy, Regulatory Unit Authorization Basis Amendment Request (ABAR-W375-99-00001) for Revision of the Employee Concerns Program (BNFL-5193-ECP-01, Revision 0), dated May 23, 2000.

Nothing in this letter should be construed as changing the Contract (DE-AC27-96RL13308). If you have any questions please contact me or Patrick Carier of my staff on (509) 376-3574.

Sincerely,

D. Clark Gibbs, Regulatory OfficialOffice of Safety Regulation of the RPP-WTP Contractor

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Enclosure

cc w/encl: M. P. DeLozier, CHG D. A. Klein, BNFL